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Energy Office Encourages Citizens to Save Energy During Energy Action Month

COLUMBIA, S.C. – October is Energy Action Month, an event meant to encourage energy savings through efficiency and conservation. To further encourage energy reduction in our state, the State Energy Office, a department of the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff, will hold the second annual S.C. Energy Hour on October 6, 2021 from 10:06 AM – 11:06 AM.

The Energy Office is joining others around the state in celebrating the Energy Action Month digitally, by sharing steps we can all take to save energy. In these difficult times, South Carolinians are joining together to support one another and those affected by COVID-19. Reducing energy use by becoming more efficient will help decrease impacts on our environment and make a healthier world for everyone. Reducing energy use also helps to take some burden off the power system at a time when keeping the power supply flow steady is so vitally important.

During October, South Carolinians are encouraged to review how they use energy at home and at work. The Energy Office maintains an online Energy Saver Tool and website to help consumers easily find energy-saving programs. Consolidated in one central, online location, these programs can be accessed through the Energy Saver Tool on EnergySaver.SC.GOV. The tool offers an easy way for the public to answer a few simple questions and find energy-saving programs available to them. Make sure to visit EnergySaver.SC.GOV to find energy-saving opportunities and ways to save energy in your home or business.

On October 6, 2021, a growing network of advocates, companies, government agencies, utilities, and others will showcase the benefits of energy efficiency during the 6th annual nationwide Energy Efficiency Day campaign. As part of Energy Efficiency Day, the Energy Office is encouraging public and private entities to take part in S.C. Energy Hour! On October 6, 2021 from 10:06 AM – 11:06 AM, the Energy Office would like for South Carolinians to celebrate SC Energy Hour by actively reducing energy consumption and learning more about how to reduce energy use in the state. This celebration can range from turning off lights in your home or building, to hosting a virtual talk about energy-saving benefits. Other ideas for #SCEnergyHour are:

- ✓ Sign an Energy Action Month pledge (PDF)
- ✓ Watch an energy-efficiency related video
- ✓ Play energy-saving bingo

To help promote S.C. Energy Hour, take a photo of what you or your organization is doing and share via social media with the hashtag #SCEnergyHour. More information can be found on the Energy Office website at ENERGY.SC.GOV/EnergyActionMonth.



